

NEWS UPDATE

fire information

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Wildfire Fact Sheet – Cove Fire

Note: Get the latest fire updates on Twitter <u>@UtahWildfire</u> and <u>@FishlakeNF</u>

(Use hashtag #CoveFire)

Start Date: Tuesday, July 5, 2016

Location: Old Woman Plateau – near the Cove, in Water Canyon, in Sevier County - 23 miles east of

Salina and 11 miles southwest of Emery, UT.

Elevation: 8,600 feet

Legal Location: Township 22 South, Range 5 East, in Sections 28, 29, 30, 32, and 33

Jurisdiction: Richfield Ranger District, Fishlake National Forest

Fire Size: 974 acres (Note: one acre is equivalent to one football field)

Cause: Lighting

Fire Behavior: The fire received good precipitation on Tuesday and Wednesday, from storms that moved through the area. This rainfall resulted in minimal fire behavior across the fire. Some isolated smokes continue to burn in the heavier available fuels.

Closures: None

Structures: No structures threatened. SUFCO mine is approximately 4 miles northwest of the fire.

Percent Contained: 0%

Fuels: Ponderosa Pine, Subalpine Fir with an understory of timber litter, grass, and shrubs.

Fire Crews/Resources: As a result of the received precipitation and decreased fire behavior, resources have been released from the fire. The fire will continue to be monitored daily, by the incident commander. If conditions change, and fire activity picks back up, fire resources will return to the fire. The Type 3 helicopter with crew has been placed in Richfield, for local support.

For more information on fires in Utah visit <u>www.utahfireinfo.gov</u>. For more information on fires across the country, visit <u>www.inciweb.org</u>.

